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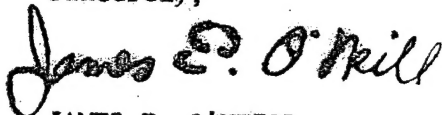
Mr. Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr.
Chief Counsel
Select Committee to Study Governmental
Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

I have your letters of July 14 and 15 to Dr. Rhoads, who is away this week and next, and I want to acknowledge both of them for him.

Since the first letter arrived, Dr. Daniel J. Reed, Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries, has discussed with Mr. Wilderotter the request it contained and received from him instructions for the Kennedy, Johnson and Eisenhower libraries. Unfortunately there were some initial misunderstandings between your staff and Mr. Wilderotter which I hope have now been worked out to your satisfaction. If there is anything further I, Dr. Rhoads, or Dr. Reed can do to assist your investigation, please let us know.

Sincerely,



JAMES E. O'NEILL
Acting Archivist
of the United States

cc:
Hon. James A. Wilderotter
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July 15, 1975

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Dr. James B. Rhoads
Archivist of the United States
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Washington, D.C. 20408

Dear Dr. Rhoads:

The Select Committee, in its investigation of the question of possible U.S. involvement in the assassination of foreign leaders, also requests access for Messrs. Lawrence Kieves, Daniel Dwyer, and Thomas Dawson (all with TS/SI/TK/B) at the Kennedy Library. This is in addition to the individuals named in my June 30 and July 2 letters to you.

Sincerely,

Frederick A. O. Schwarz, Jr.

Frederick A. O. Schwarz, Jr.
Chief Counsel

cc: The Honorable James A. Wilderotter
Associate Counsel to the President

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Dear Dr. Rhoads:

As the Select Committee proceeds with its investigation of paramilitary operations--in particular in Laos--it finds that it needs to review minutes (or memoranda of conversation) from meetings of National Security Council bodies conducted during the Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson Administrations, as well as notes, memos, studies, and other materials on this subject lodged in the Presidential libraries.

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Members of the Committee staff have been in touch with Dr. Reed of your staff, who indicated that NSC material should fall within the "section 11" category for White House documents--that is, documents to which the Archives can grant access on its own authority. Dr. Reed did indicate that you would, of course, consult with the White House; that should be no problem given the understanding the Committee has with the White House about access to documents necessary to our inquiry. Our contact point at the White House is Mr. James Wilderotter (406-7094), who should be able to provide the necessary clearance. 5

Members of the Committee staff have been or will be contacting the three libraries notifying them of our need to review these materials. We understand that an oral assurance from you that the clearance has been obtained will suffice.

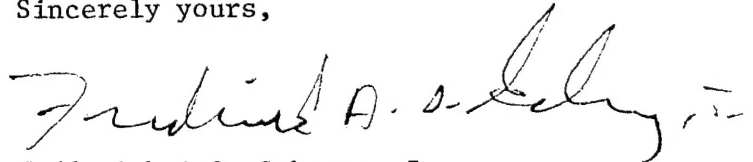
At this time, we are interested in reviewing documents pertaining to paramilitary operations in general and to Laos in particular for the period mid-1950's through the 1960's.

Members of the Committee staff who will be reviewing these documents are (with the security clearances each possesses):

Alan Romberg (TS/SI/TK/B)
William Trueheart (TS/SI/TK/B)
Dorothy C. Dillon (TS/SI/TK/B)

Due to requirements of preparing background materials as quickly as possible, it would be helpful if the staff members could review the NSC materials later this week. We would appreciate your assisting in such expedition.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr.", written in dark ink.

Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr.

copy to The Honorable James A. Wilderotter
Associate Counsel to the President